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CENTRAL COMMAND

# SAFESTAT REPORT

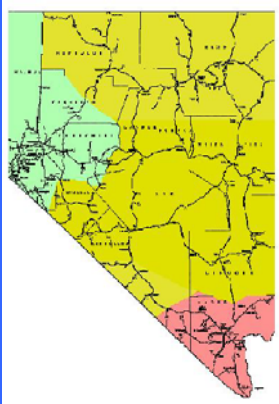
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Winter storms and hazardous driving conditions returned to the Central Command during the month of November. Due to the change in weather, the Command experienced an 11.2% increase in crashes as compared to October. Of the 139 total crashes, 29 were weather related. In November, property damage crashes increased by 5.8%, as did injury crashes by 50%. On a positive note, fatal crashes decreased by 25%. Commercial vehicle crashes also decreased by 13.8% for a total of 17.9% of the Command's overall crashes.

Despite the inclement weather and the poor driving conditions the Central Command had an outstanding month in overall enforcement activity. Total violations increased by 805 or 17.1% when compared to October. This is the first time the Command's total violations exceeded the 5,000 mark. All enforcement category activity increased with the exception of DUI Arrests.

The Commercial Operation Section also experienced a good month with increases noted in the following categories: Hazardous moving violations up 28.9%, Total Safety Violations up 12.3% and "Drivers Placed out of Service" up 12% in comparison to October.

Traffic personnel conducted 1014 Level 2/3 inspections in November, finding 1128 violations and placing 81 drivers out of service. This to was an outstanding effort and all personnel are commended for their hard work.

The Communication Center showed an increase of 5.1% in the number of radio transmissions, a decrease of 4.7% in CAD incidents generated and a 3.4% decrease in telephone calls in November.

The men and women of the Central Command are commended for their outstanding efforts during the month. The Command extends a thank you for a job well done.

**CENTRAL COMMAND**

**CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW**

	November-06		November-05	% Change		October-06	% Change
Total Crashes	139		176	-21.0%		125	11.2%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	109		133	-18.0%		103	5.8%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	27		41	-34.1%		18	50.0%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	3		2	50.0%		4	-25.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	2		5	-60.0%		3	-33.3%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	4		2	100.0%		4	0.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	3		0	300.0%		1	200.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		0	100.0%		3	-66.7%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	25		26	-3.8%		29	-13.8%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	19		25	-24.0%		23	-17.4%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	3		1	200.0%		5	-40.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	1		0	100.0%		1	0.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 2.2%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 1.4%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 100.0%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 16.7%

**NARRATIVE ANALYSIS**

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

The total number of crashes increased by 14 for 11.2% over October. There were 29 weather related crashes during the month that were dispersed throughout the Northern Section of the Command. There was a 5.8% increase in property damage crashes and a 50.0% increase in injury crashes. Fatal crashes were down by one for a total decrease of 25% from the previous month.

Crashes involving impaired drivers declined for the second month in a row, with only two such crashes occurring in November. The average BAC for impaired drivers was unavailable for the month as the test results are still pending.

Four persons were killed in 3 separate fatal accidents during the month of November. None of the 4 fatalities were wearing their seatbelts.

There were 4 fewer commercial vehicle accidents in November than had occurred the previous month for a total decrease of 13.8%. Of the 25 accidents that had occurred, 12 or 48.0% were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. 14 of the commercial vehicle crashes occurred on the Interstate. There was only 1 fatal crash involving a commercial vehicle, which was parked when it was struck by a passenger car.

**FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY***[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	November-06		November-05	% Change		October-06	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	2		5	-60.0%		3	-33.3%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	25		19	31.6%		35	-28.6%
Other Arrests	182		103	76.7%		169	7.7%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	91		57	59.6%		83	9.6%
Speed violations	2530		2112	19.8%		2217	14.1%
Hazardous moving violations	235		303	-22.4%		217	8.3%
Occupant restraint violations *	388		267	45.3%		286	35.7%
Total violations [above violations included]	5509		3576	54.1%		4704	17.1%
<b>Commercial Enforcement</b>							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	49		49	0.0%		38	28.9%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	11		16	-31.3%		26	-57.7%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	668		358	86.6%		670	-0.3%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	146		109	33.9%		130	12.3%
Total safety violations -- repair order	879		722	21.7%		912	-3.6%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	40		30	33.3%		50	-20.0%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	28		20	40.0%		25	12.0%
Total school buses inspected	54		70	-22.9%		43	25.6%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	8		11	-27.3%		10	-20.0%
Total trucks weighed	532		185	187.6%		624	-14.7%
Total overweight citations	6		3	100.0%		19	-68.4%
Total dyed fuel inspections	650		314	107.0%		634	2.5%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

November-06

November-05

% Change

October-06

% Change

**NARRATIVE ANALYSIS***[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

Despite periods of winter weather, the Command experienced significant increases in the majority of enforcement categories. Total violations increased by 805 or 17.1%. This is the first time the Command's total violations activity has exceeded the 5,000 mark. This was accomplished with a resounding total of 5,509 violations for the month of November.

Total arrests increased by 9.6% over October as did speed violations by 14.1%. Hazardous moving violations were up by 8.3% and occupant restraint violations by 35.7%. Arrests for impaired drivers prior to crashes declined by ten or 28.6% which corresponds to a decline in the arrests for impaired drivers after crashes by 33.3%. The average BAC for drivers arrested prior to crashes was .146.

Commercial operations personnel had a slight decline in the total number of inspections for commercial drivers and their vehicles. There were 668 inspections conducted compared to 670 in October but the number was significantly higher than the 358 from the previous year. Commercial vehicles placed out of service was down by ten or 20% from October but the number of drivers placed out of service increased by 12% over the same period. Total safety violations declined by 3.6% while safety violation citations increased by 12.3%.

The total number of commercial vehicles weighed decreased by 14.7% as did the number of overweight citations by 68.4%. Of the 532 vehicles weighed, 68 were done on secondary roadways during 149 hours of directed enforcement. This decline was partly due to the portable scales undergoing recertification and being unavailable for 14 days.

Dyed fuel inspections increased by 2.5% for a total of 650 for the month. Of the 650 inspections conducted, 150 were done on secondary roadways during the 149 hours of directed enforcement.

Traffic Operations Personnel conducted an unprecedented 1,014 total inspections of commercial drivers and their vehicles. This is a 68.7% increase over the previous month and a 299.2% increase over the same period last year. This effort was enhanced through the utilization of Stirkeforce overtime shifts. With the increase in inspections, the number of drivers placed out of service also increased by 50% as did the number of safety violation citations by 20.1%.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
November-06	1014	299	1128	81	0	904	0
November-05	254	127	544	25	N/A	197	0
% Change	299.2%	135.4%	107.4%	224.0%	N/A	358.9%	#DIV/0!

November-06	1014	299	1128	81	0	904	0
October-06	601	249	856	54	34	546	1
% Change	68.7%	20.1%	31.8%	50.0%	-100.0%	65.6%	-100.0%



ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	Current Month		Same Month Previous Year	% Change		Previous Month	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions	87287		75,529	15.6%		83,068	5.1%
CAD incidents	12120		10,183	19.0%		12,723	-4.7%
Telephone Calls	10873		12,701	-14.4%		11,250	-3.4%
Call Box Incidents	33		24	37.5%		32	3.1%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	132		151	-12.6%		119	10.9%
Arrest Reports Processed	93		56	66.1%		68	36.8%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	16		10	60.0%		24	-33.3%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	404		378	6.9%		378	6.9%
Warrants Entered	464		252	84.1%		257	80.5%
Warrants Cleared	279		193	44.6%		595	-53.1%
Warrants Validated	2034		1950	4.3%		1800	13.0%
Extradition / Transports	13		6	116.7%		7	85.7%
EVIDENCE							
New Cases Submitted	42		4	950.0%		16	162.5%
New Items Submitted	152		9	1588.9%		91	67.0%
Items Disposed	21		2	950.0%		3	600.0%

**Contract Service overtime was 826.7 hours for 17 escorts totaling \$55,274.00.**

## NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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The Communication Center recorded increases in radio transmissions and call box incidents. CAD incidents were down slightly from October as were telephone calls.

Front Office Personnel had increases in the number of accident and arrest reports processed. However, incident reports declined by 33.3%

The Court/Warrants Unit noted increases in all areas except warrants cleared. Warrants received increased by 6.9% as did warrants entered by 80.5%, and warrants validated at a 13.0% increase.

The evidence vaults had a 162.5% increase in the number of new cases submitted. There were substantial increases in the number of new items submitted as well as items disposed.

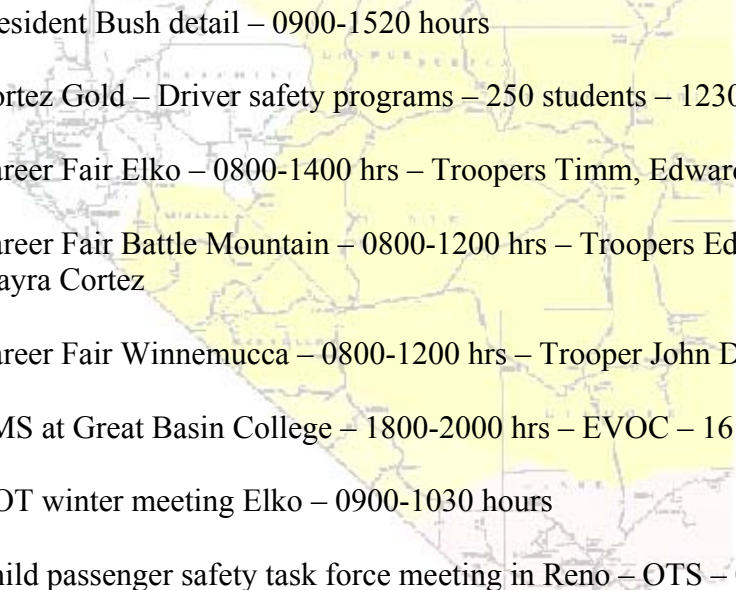
## FLIGHT OPERATIONS

The Central Command aircraft flew 38.5 hours during November, 27 hours of that time were utilized during 7 speed enforcement missions resulting in 107 enforcement actions. The aircraft also flew 11.5 hours for prisoner/property transports. Additionally, the aircraft assisted in the search for a reported armed robbery suspect and flew in support of the Presidential visit to Elko.

## PERSONNEL

The front office staff positions are now all filled with the additions of AAI Genevieve Carter-Kline and Training Officer Vikki Driving Hawk.

## PUBLIC INFORMATION



Thurs. Nov. 2:	President Bush detail – 0900-1520 hours
Nov. 13-17:	Cortez Gold – Driver safety programs – 250 students – 1230-1330 hrs.
Tues. Nov. 14:	Career Fair Elko – 0800-1400 hrs – Troopers Timm, Edwards and Lisa Elliott
Wed. Nov. 15:	Career Fair Battle Mountain – 0800-1200 hrs – Troopers Edwards, Dunkhorst and Mayra Cortez
Thurs. Nov. 16:	Career Fair Winnemucca – 0800-1200 hrs – Trooper John Dunkhorst
Mon. Nov. 27:	EMS at Great Basin College – 1800-2000 hrs – EVOC – 16 students
Wed. Nov. 29:	DOT winter meeting Elko – 0900-1030 hours
Thurs. Nov 30:	Child passenger safety task force meeting in Reno – OTS – 0830-1600 hours